



PUBLIC NOTICE

Study Results Available



Announcement of Public Hearing and Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration State Route 138 Realignment Project In San Bernardino County



WHAT'S BEING PLANNED	<p>The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is proposing to realign a two-lane portion of State Route 138 from 1.9 miles east of Interstate 15 (postmile R17.1) to 0.12 mile west of Summit Post Office Road (postmile R19.2) in San Bernardino County. Improvements would include realignment of the existing two-lane roadway and addition of two outside shoulders, three bridges that would also serve as wildlife crossings, an off-highway vehicle crossing, and pipe culverts.</p> <p>The proposed project will have an effect on historic properties listed on, or eligible for, the National Register of Historic Places. Caltrans has incorporated adequate mitigation measures into the project plans.</p>
WHY THIS AD	<p>Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Environmental Assessment/Initial Study. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Proposed Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment/Initial Study and their availability for you to review. A hearing will be held to give you an opportunity to provide comments and discuss the features of the project with Caltrans staff before the final design is selected.</p>
WHAT'S AVAILABLE	<p>The Proposed Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment/Initial Study are available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 8 Office, 464 W. Fourth Street, 8th Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92401 on weekdays from 8:00AM to 4:00PM. The Proposed Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment/Initial Study are also available for review at the City of Hesperia, 15776 Main Street, Hesperia, CA 92345 and the City of Hesperia Main Library, 9565 7th Street, Hesperia, CA 92345.</p>
WHERE YOU COME IN	<p>Do you have any comments about processing the project with a Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment/Initial Study? Do you disagree with the findings of our studies as set forth in the Proposed Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Please submit your comments at the public hearing, mail them to Mr. Luke Stowe, 464 W. Fourth Street, MS 823, San Bernardino 92401-1400 or email them to luke_stowe@dot.ca.gov. Comments should be received no later than May 13, 2004. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design and request approval from the Federal Highway Administration.</p>
WHEN AND WHERE	<p>The hearing will be April 29, 2004 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Hesperia City Hall City Council Chambers, 15776 Main Street, Hesperia.</p> <p>Project layouts, maps, the Proposed Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment/Initial Study, and other exhibits will be available for viewing. Caltrans specialists in engineering, environmental studies, landscape architecture, and right-of-way will be available to discuss the project and answer your questions. A court reporter will be present to record comments for the public record. The hearing will be an open house format. No formal presentation will be made. You are invited to attend anytime between 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM.</p>
CONTACT	<p>For more information about this study, call Luke Stowe at Caltrans District 8 at (909) 388-1387. For information on any other transportation matter, call the Caltrans District 8 Public Affairs Office at (909) 383-4631.</p>
SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS	<p>Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Caltrans will provide reasonable accommodations such as an American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, and documentation in alternate formats to individuals with disabilities. To obtain such services, please contact Public Affairs at (909) 383-4631 at least 10 days before the meeting date. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2929 or District 8 TTY (909) 383-6300.</p>